

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1011

By Mitchell

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Joseph E. "Joe" West of Joelton.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Joseph E. "Joe" West; and

WHEREAS, Joe West was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, born in Gainesboro on March 12, 1929, Mr. West was the son of Dillard West and Kate Sadler West and the younger brother of Bonnie West Dudney Roberts and Bill West; and

WHEREAS, Joe West served with acumen and alacrity as a member of the Tennessee Highway Patrol and retired at the rank of captain; and

WHEREAS, a past president of the Whites Creek Community Club, Mr. West was a fifty-seven-year member of Centre Star Lodge #409 Free and Accepted Masons as well as a member of Provost Guard PC; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Al Menah Shrine Center, Joe West oversaw his community's Shriners paper sale, which benefited a children's hospital, for a number of years; and

WHEREAS, Joe West was instrumental in establishing a recycling center in Joelton; for a number of years, he and his wife of sixty-five years, Anna Joy Allen West, cleaned around the dumpsters at the recycling center; and

WHEREAS, Joe West was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. West was the proud father of Joe Allen West and Carol West Buttrey, the beloved grandfather of John Buttrey and Stephen Buttrey, and the treasured great-grandfather of Elowyn May Buttrey; he is lovingly remembered by his sisters-in-law, Jane Way and Betty Brown, and a host of cousins, nieces, and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Mr. West was preceded in death by his parents, brother, sister, and parents-in-law, Edna and Harold Allen; and

WHEREAS, Joe West leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Joseph E. "Joe" West, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. West.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.